The Virtual Solar Observatory: Still a Small Box

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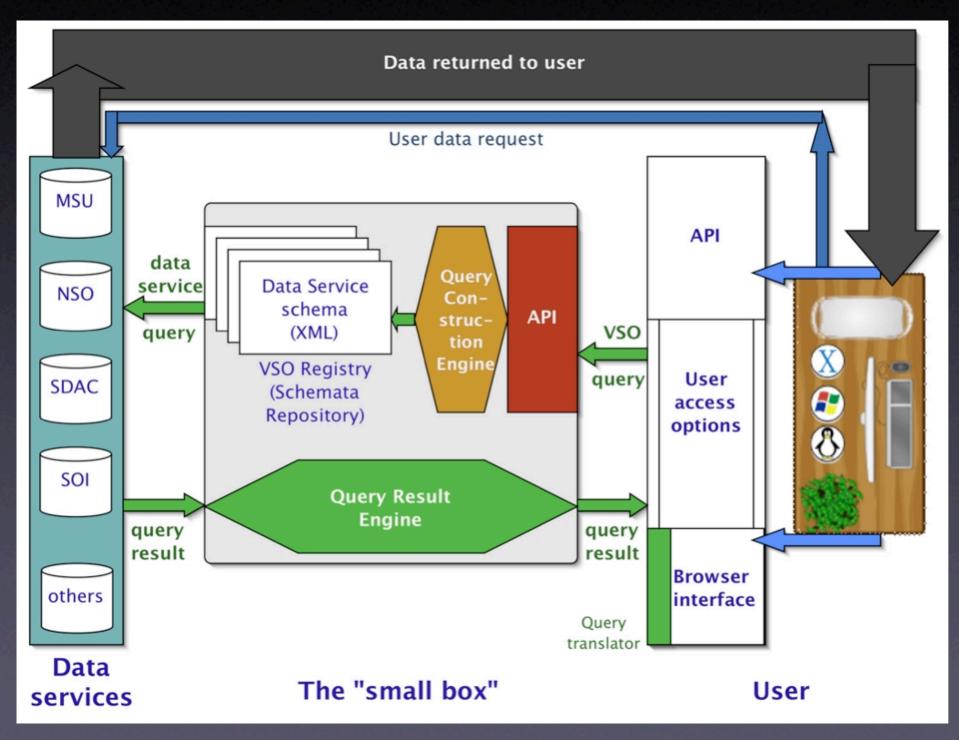
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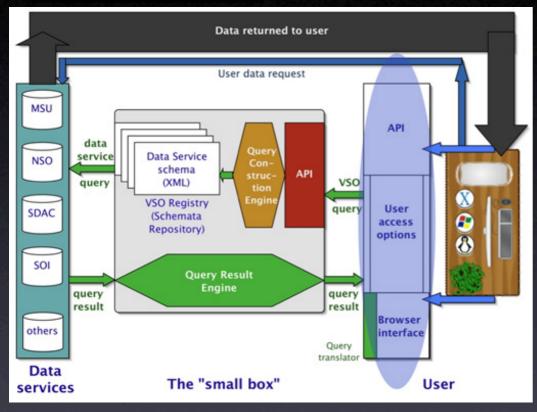
How small is that box?



Design remains the same as design published in 2002/12, 1.0 release in 2003/12, but....



Richer in features



- Browser query interface offers multiple search methods, including combinations
- GUI/shopping cart allows sorting by columns, viewing of thumbnails (where available)

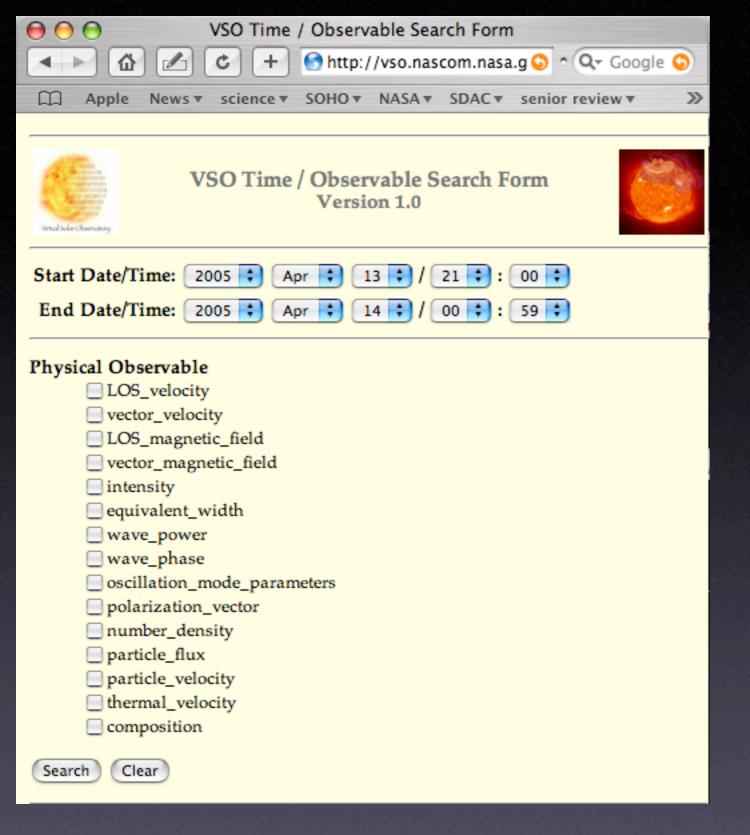


VSO Time / Instrument Version 1.1

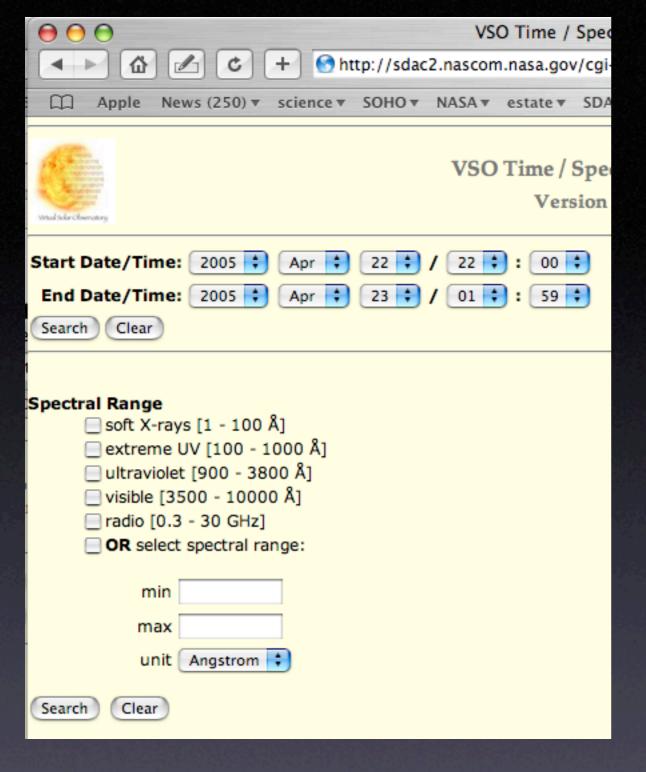
Virtual Scher Observatory
Start Date/Time: 2005
Provider: Source: Instrument Drilldown Select a name to expand the list
HANET (H-alpha Network, Big Bear Lake)?
HAO (High Altitude Observatory, NCAR)?
■ LSSP (Laboratory for Space and Solar Physics, NASA/Goddard)?
■ RHESSI (Reuven Ramaty High Energy Solar Spectroscopic Imager)?
■ MSU (Montana State University)?
■ NGDC (National Geophysical Data Center, NOAA)?
☐ GOES-12 (Geosyncronous Operational Environmental Satellite - 12)?
■ NSO (National Solar Observatory)?
OBSPM (Departement d'Astronomie Solaire de l'Observatoire de Paris)?
OVRO (Owens Valley Radio Observatory)?
SDAC (Solar Data Analysis Center, NASA/Goddard)?
☐ SOHO (Solar and Heliospheric Observatory)?
☐ TRACE (Transition Region And Coronal Explorer)?
☐ SHA (Stanford Helioseismology Archive, Stanford U.)?

Search and selection

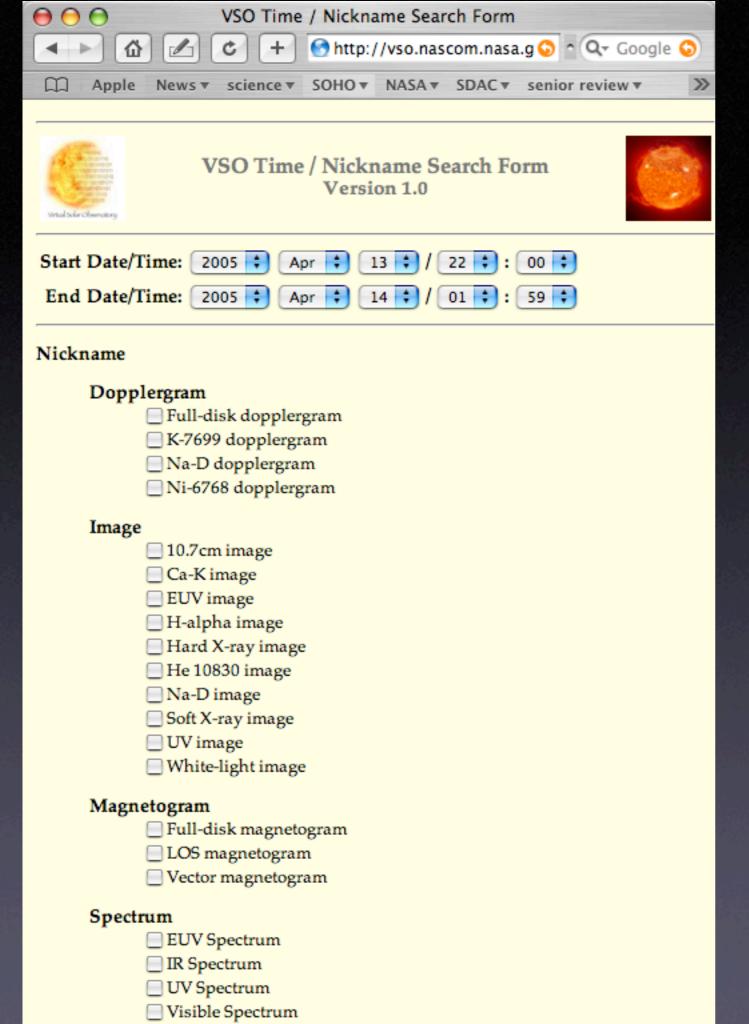
 Search by data source and facility/instrument



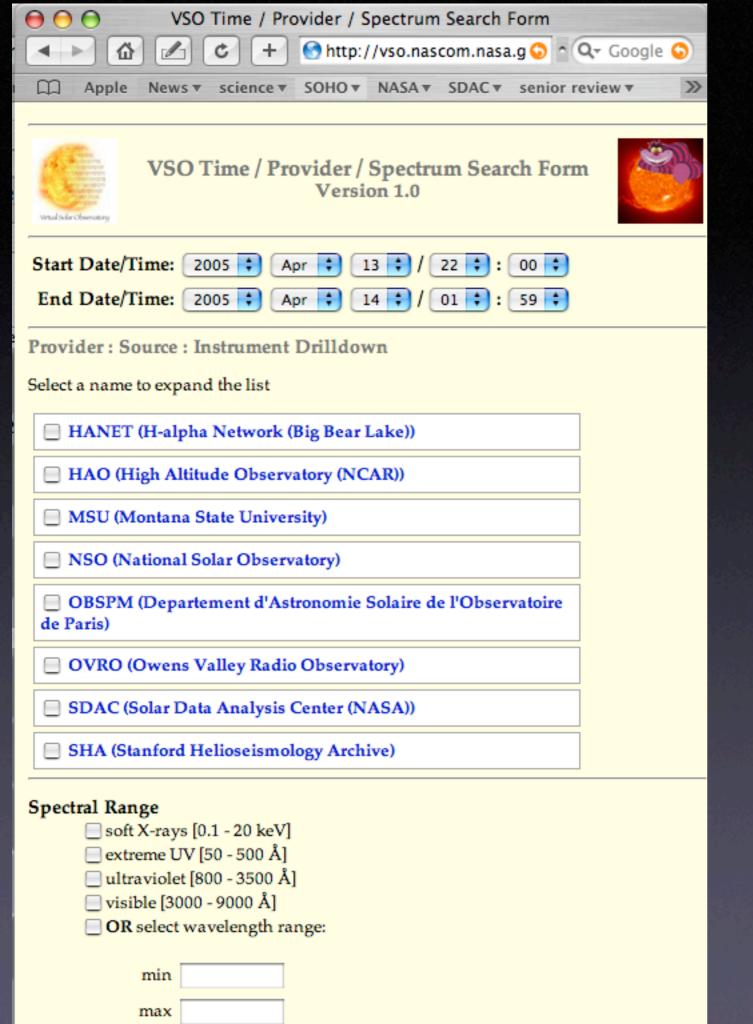
or by physical observable



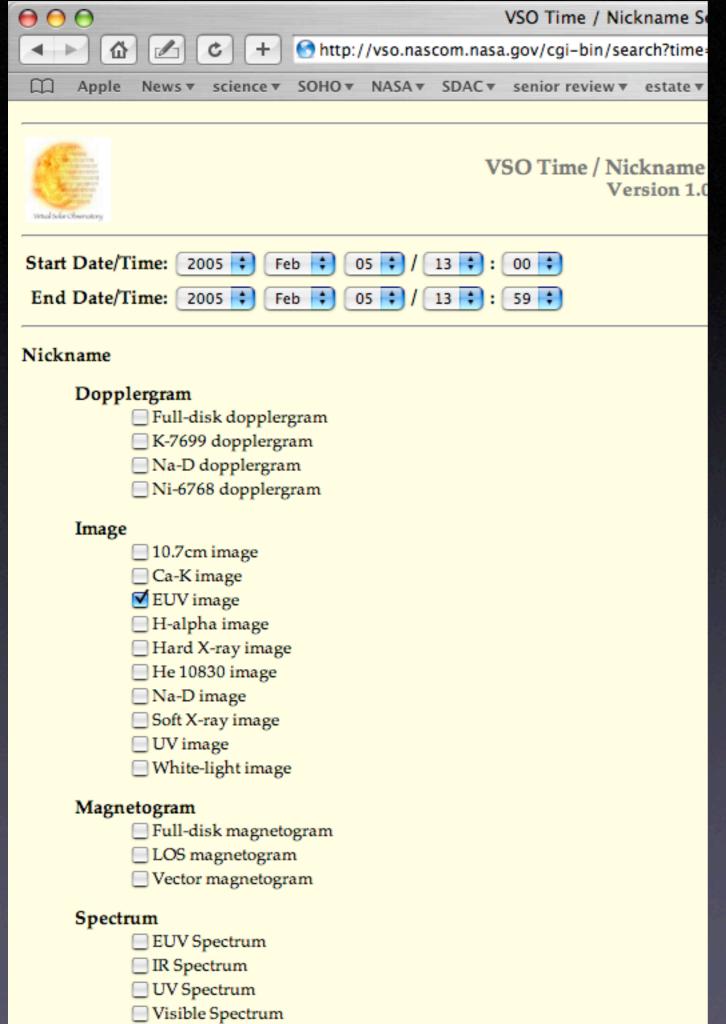
or by wavelength/ frequency



 or by "nicknames," commonly used names for specific data types

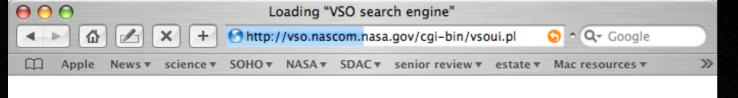


- or by combinations of search methods
 - here, provider and wavelength range



A sample search experience

 Look for EUV images in a certain time range





Mrtual Solar Observatory

VSO at vso.nascom.nasa.gov is searching for solar data that meet the following criteria:

Time

Start 5 Feb 2005 13:00:00

End 5 Feb 2005 13:59:00

Wave

Wave Unit Angstrom

Wave Minimun 100

Wave Maximum 2000

Physical Observable

intensity

1101001010010

A sample search experience

- While search is progressing, most browsers will display time range, other search parameters
 - Note how nickname
 "EUV image" translates
 to a certain wavelength
 range and a physical
 observable



VSO Search Results

New Search Views: Basic | Thumbs | Links | Long Sort Only | Rearrange only | 10 Records Found Sort & Rearrange SDAC Wave ☐ Min ☐ Max Time Time 10 Returned Type Observable Source Instrument Extent WaveLength WaveLength Thumbnail Start End 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 346.22 Å 631.33 Å N/A intensity SOHO CDS N/A 12:45:57 13:15:31 Select Check Criteria 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 171.00 Å 171.00 Å N/A IMG Link intensity SOHO EIT N/A Check/Uncheck... 13:00:14 13:00:26 All Above this box 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 284.00 Å 284.00 Å N/A SOHO N/A IMG Link EIT intensity 13:06:09 13:08:11 All Below this box 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 195.00 Å 195.00 Å N/A IMG Link SOHO N/A EIT intensity Just this box 13:13:50 13:14:02 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 346.22 Å 631.33 Å N/A SOHO CDS N/A intensity 13:15:38 13:45:11 Check All 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 304.00 Å 304.00 Å N/A IMG Link SOHO EIT N/A intensity Uncheck All 13:19:42 13:20:14 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 195.00 Å 195.00 Å N/A N/A IMG Link SOHO EIT intensity 13:26:01 13:26:13 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 195.00 Å 195.00 Å N/A IMG Link intensity SOHO EIT N/A 13:36:16 13:36:28 Go To Request Data 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 346.22 Å 631.33 Å N/A N/A SOHO CDS intensity 13:45:18 14:14:51 2005.02.05 2005.02.05 195.00 Å 195.00 Å N/A N/A IMG Link SOHO EIT intensity 13:48:10 13:48:22

Comments? Help us improve VSO

VSO Search Results



Add to Shopping Cart

Export to Text

Movie Player

Show Search Params :: [show]

total entries: 14

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VSO @ Home NSO Stanford

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thumbnails view

Thursday, 19 May 2005 about 4:03 PM MST

sort options



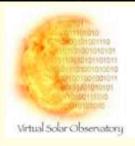
A sample search experience

Hits now sorted by ascending wavelength

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A sample search experience

Selection via check boxes and/or "above/below" controls



CART ID: VSO-55AIf2j-3078

New Search | Click & Bookmark | Email This Cart

Proceed to Request Data

Sort Only Rearrange only Views: Basic Thumbs Links Long Sort & Rearrange									
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	2005.02.05 13:26:01	2005.02.05 13:26:13	195.00 Å	195.00 Å	N/A	intensity	SOHO	EIT	N/A
	2005.02.05 13:36:16	2005.02.05 13:36:28	195.00 Å	195.00 Å	N/A	intensity	SOHO	EIT	N/A
	2005.02.05 13:48:10	2005.02.05 13:48:22	195.00 Å	195.00 Å	N/A	intensity	SOHO	EIT	N/A
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A sample search experience

Shopping cart trope

Unique cart ID for future reference (e.g. in publications)



A sample search experience

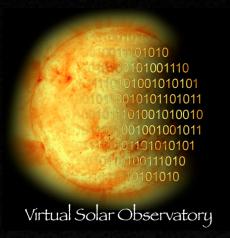
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Session 1: 19-May-2005 23:03:06 UTC

Provider	Time	State Comments
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Delivery method determined by data provider(s):

- tarball (requires e-mail address)
- individual links (as here)

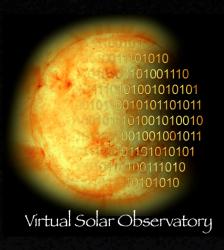


Web browser is not the only possible interface

VSO also offers an Application Programming Interface (API)

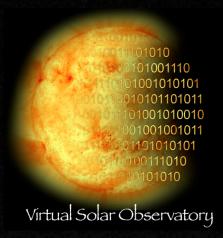
Can be accessed from software as well

Example: senior undergraduate wrote Java-based client based on existing documentation

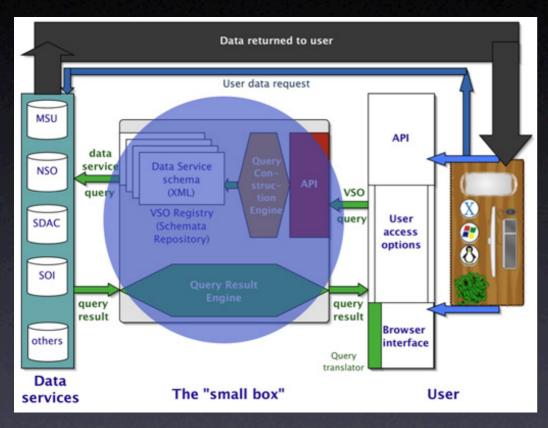


Latest features

- Catalog/event list search (metadata as data)
 - Joined queries with "normal" data
- Web Services Description Language (WSDL) for other service providers (EGSO, CoSEC)



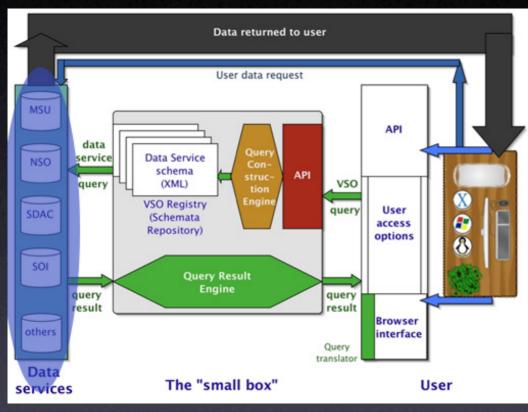
Internals changes



- Please see poster SH51B-05 (Bogart, Tian et al.) for changes in:
 - data model
 - performance
 - and much more on UI changes



Additional data services



Already added:
HANET
Meudon
OVRO

- TRACE
 - by image (rather than hourly, compressed file)
 - a lot of images
- RHESSI
- GOES SXI
- Yohkoh Legacy



The "to do" list

- Work with new missions
 - STEREO imaging instruments access at STEREO
 Science Center will use VSO as search engine
 - SDO instruments
 - Solar-B
- Allow selection by all detector heads/telescopes, filter wheel positions, &c.
 - e.g. LASCO C2, clear; Yohkoh SXT, GOES SXI filters
- And more (user comments)....



How generic can we be?

 Could the internals of the VSO be used by VO's in other disciplines currently planned or under development?